

## KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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## KENTUCKY RECEIVES ADDITIONAL SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GRANT FUNDING

(FRANKFORT, Ky.) – Kentucky, 24 other states and the District of Columbia will share nearly \$220 million in School Improvement Grant (SIG) funding provided by the U.S. Department of Education.

SIG funds provide grants to state educational agencies that are used to assist school districts as they work to raise student achievement in persistently low-achieving (PLA) schools, now designated as Priority Schools through the Elementary and Secondary Education Act/No Child Left Behind Act (ESEA/NCLB) waiver that Kentucky received in February. For this round of funding, Kentucky will receive \$8,437,046, which is continuation funding that will be allocated to those schools previously identified as being in Cohort 2 of the SIG process. The Kentucky Department of Education has asked for funding for the most-recently identified 19 Priority Schools (formerly the Cohort 3 designation) through the state budget process.

Those schools that will receive this continuation funding are listed below.

DISTRICT	SCHOOL
Carter Co.	East Carter County High
Christian Co.	Christian County High
Greenup Co.	Greenup County High
Jefferson Co.	Doss High
Jefferson Co.	Fairdale High
Jefferson Co.	Iroquois High
Jefferson Co.	Knight Middle
Jefferson Co.	Seneca High
Jefferson Co.	Southern High
Jefferson Co.	Waggener Traditional High
Martin Co.	Sheldon Clark High
Newport Ind.	Newport High

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Under Section 1003(g) of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), SIG funds are designed to improve student achievement in Title I schools identified for improvement, corrective action or restructuring, as well as schools that are eligible for, but don't receive, Title I funding and who have been identified as persistently low-achieving.

To learn more about the School Improvement Grants program, visit http://www2.ed.gov/programs/sif/index.html.

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